FISCAL NOTE

SB 1716 - HB 1598

April 19, 2001

SUMMARY OF BILL:

- Creates two new levels of psychological practice; *licensed senior* psychological examiner and certified psychological assistant.
- Requires insurance plans that cover psychological services to reimburse an insured or other person entitled to benefits under such plan for services provided by a licensed senior psychological examiner or a certified psychological assistant.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$3,000 Recurring \$4,000 One-Time

Increase State Revenues - \$7,000

Estimate assumes:

- one-time cost for automated systems modifications in the department of \$4,000 and \$3,000 in recurring expenses to provide for licensure of the new categories.
- an increase in state revenues from fees in an amount sufficient to offset the expense of administering the requirements contained in the bill. T.C.A. 4-3-1011, 4-29-121 and 63-1-137 require all health-related boards to be self sufficient.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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